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LONDON FOR STREATOR FOR WILLIAM LUERS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EEWT, PGEN, HU, US
SUBJECT: HUNGARIAN MFN ASSURANCES

REF: STATE 17200

1. THE EMBASSY APPRECIATES THE DEPARTMENT'S PROMPT REPLY TO OUR 326. WE ARE HAPPY TO COMMENT ON POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE FORMULAE.
2. AS A FIRST STEP, WE BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD AGAIN BRING UP THE DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION THE HUNGARIAN HOPE THAT A REFERENCE TO THE COVENANT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE AS A REPLACEMENT FOR A REFERENCE TO THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION. THE GOH BASES ITS HOPE IN PART ON THE INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE COVENANT:
"THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PROCLAIMS THIS UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AS A COMMON STANDARD OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL PEOPLES AND ALL NATIONS"
WE, OF COURSE, DEFER TO THE DEPARTMENT'S LEGAL EXPERTISE ON THIS POINT, BUT FEEL WE SHOULD BRING IT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION IN LIGHT OF THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN
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THE SECRETARY AND PUJA (BUDAPEST 105).

3. IF THE DEPARTMENT CANNOT ACCEPT THE REFERENCE TO THE COVENANT, WE WOULD APPRECIATE AUTHORIZATION TO REITERATE OUR PROPOSAL OF JAN 3 (77 STATE 310279). WE WOULD COUPLE THIS PRESENTATION WITH THE TALKING POINTS IN STATE 15152 RE THE UNACCEPTABILITY OF THE

COVENANT.

4. IF THIS PROPOSAL IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO THE HUNGARIANS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE AUTHORIZATION TO PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE:

"CONCERNING CASES OF EMIGRATION, BOTH PARTIES UNDERTAKE TO ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH THEM PROMPTLY, CONSTRUCTIVELY, AND WITH GOOD WILL."
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